

The Tragedie of Hamlet

You from the *Pollock* warres, and you from *England*
Are here arriued, giue order that these bodies
High on a stage be placed so the view,
And let me speak, to th' yet vnknowing world
How these things came about; so shall you heare
Of cruell, bloody and vnnaturall acts.
Of accidentall iudgements, casuall slaughters,
Of deaths put on by cunning, and for no cause,
And in this vpshot, purposes mistooke,
Falne on the Inuenters heads: all this can I
Truely deliuer.

Fort. Let vs haſte to heare it;
And call the nobleſt to the audience,
For me with ſorrow I embrace my fortune,
I haue ſome rights of memory in this Kingdome,
Which now to cleime my vantage doth inuite me.

Hora. Of *Hamlet* I ſhall haue alſo cauſe to ſpeake,
And from his mouth, whoſe voice wil draw no more,
But let this ſame be preſently perform'd
Euen while mens mindes are wilde, leaſt more miſ-
On plots and errors happen. chance

Fort. Let foure Captaines
Beare *Hamlet* like a Souldier to the ſtage,
For he was likely, had he been put on,
To haue proued moſt royall; and for his paſſage,
The Souldiers muſick and the right of warre
Speake loudly for him:
Take vp the bodies, ſuch a fight as this,
Becomes the field, but here ſhowes much amiſſe.
Goe bid the Souldiers ſhoot. *Exeunt.*

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